

## CAMPING AROUND THE NORTH POLE

Matthew Henson, Peary's Colored Lieutenant, Tells of Night And Two Days Spent There.

ARRIVED JUST BEFORE NOON.

Saw Commander Write the Records Which Were Left in the Ice.

Battle Harbor, Labrador, Sept. 15, by wireless via Cape Bay, N. F., Sept. 15.—"We hoisted the stars and stripes twice at the north pole," said Matthew Henson, Commander Robert E. Peary's colored lieutenant and the only civilized man, besides himself, according to Peary, who ever reached the pole. Henson tonight gave to the Associated Press an account of one night and two days he and Commander Peary and four Eskimos camped at 90 degrees north latitude. Henson assisted in raising the American flag and he led the Eskimos in the cheer, an extra cheer for Old Glory in the Eskimo tongue being given.

### HENSON'S STORY.

"Having passed 15 years with Commander Peary and a considerable portion of that time in the arctic," said Henson, "I have acquired a knowledge of the dialect of the northern Greenland Eskimos, who are probably superior to any other. As is commonly known to travelers in the far north, the Eskimo entertains a strange prejudice toward any tongue but one, and it is therefore necessary for successful dealing with them to study their unwritten language.

"We arrived at the pole just before noon, April 6, the party consisting of the commander, myself, four Eskimos and 36 dogs, divided into two detachments equal in number and headed, respectively, by Commander Peary and myself. We had left the last supporting party at 57 degrees, 33 minutes, where we were photographed by the commander.

"Capt. Bartlett regretted that he did not have a British flag to erect on the ice at this spot, so that the photograph might show this as the farthest north to which the banner of Great Britain had been advanced.

### FIRST TASK AT POLE.

"I kept a personal diary during this historic dash across the icefield. Our first task on reaching the pole was to build two igloos, as the weather was hazy and prevented taking accurate observations to confirm the distance traveled from Cape Columbia. Having completed the snowhouses, we had dinner, which included tea made on our alcohol stove, and then retired to rest, thus sleeping one night at the north pole.

"The arctic sun was shining when I awoke, and found the commander already up. There was only wind enough to blow out the small flags. The Eskimos were hoisted toward noon from tent poles, and tied with fishlines. "We had figured out the distance pretty close, and did not go beyond the pole. The flags were up about midday, April 7, and were not removed until late that evening. The haze had cleared away early, but we waited some hours to make observations. We made three close together. When we first raised the American flag its position was behind the igloos, which, according to our initial observations, was the position of the pole, but on taking subsequent observations the stars and stripes was moved and placed 100 yards west of the first position, the difference in the observations being due, perhaps, to the moving ice.

### PLANTING THE FLAG.

"When the flag was placed, Commander Peary exclaimed in English:

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"We will plant the stars and stripes at the north pole," said Henson. "In the native language, I proposed three cheers, which were given in the Eskimos' own tongue. Commander Peary shook hands all around and we had a more liberal dinner than usual, each man eating as much as he pleased. The Eskimos danced and showed great pleasure that the pole at last was reached. For years the Eskimos had been trying to reach that spot, but it was always with them, 'Tigheh', which, translated, means 'get so far and no closer.' They exclaimed in a chorus: 'Ting neigh tohah ketisher,' meaning 'We have got there at last.' Henson, who reached the farthest north with Peary three years ago, said that conditions were about the same at the pole as elsewhere in the Arctic circle. All was a solid sea of ice, with a two-foot lead of open water two miles from the pole. The Eskimos who went along on the final lap were Ootah, Ektah, Ootah, Ootah, and Ektah, the two first-named being brothers. Commander Peary took photographs of Henson and the Eskimos waving flags and cheering.

### WENT WHOLE DISTANCE.

"The report is absolutely untrue that I did not go to the pole," said Henson. "I went the whole distance." Henson said that he knew that some on board did not wish him to go to the pole, if they could prevent it, but he knew that before he started. He also said that he saw Peary write the records which were left in the ice.

The Eskimos who were with them, the Eskimo of Ootah, understood English, and one of them could count a hundred. "At the pole," continued Henson, "we could see no open land, and we went no distance beyond the flag. The ice near the igloos was at least 10 feet high and the flags were placed on a hummock 20 feet in height. The ice the pole was about the same.

"Nearly all the winds we had were from the northeast. Commander Peary

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had three thermometers and the coldest day was 57 degrees below zero Fahrenheit. I believe there is a little difference in the exactness of the north pole from that some distance south. Henson learned from Eskimos that for three days in Whale sound last month they saw a cloud of smoke and there was an odor like that of gunpowder. The natives were greatly frightened and Henson thought a new volcano had erupted and so informed them.

Henson made his first trip north in 1881. He went there because he was interested and kept going year after year. Of Commander Peary, he said:

### IN PRAISE OF PEARY.

"He is the best man that we could have for arctic expeditions. He has wonderful endurance and the weather never is too cold for him. Many times I would not leave the camp except for him. A compass course is all he desires. So long as a man does his work half decently the commander never complains. The Eskimos think that this is no man like him."

Matthew Henson was born in Washington, but lived for a time in Florida. He is quite proud to be the only negro to go to the farthest north. He is in good health, about 30 years of age, and has been to the pole and return. The only frost bites he suffered were on the cheek and fingers. He thinks some negro can endure as much exposure as a white man, though he is not sure that he stood the cold the first year as well as his white companions.

Speaking of the Eskimos, Henson said they draw as good a chart of that country as any person. They do not know the length of a mile, but can estimate distances very exactly. The one who knows the language they will tell dates within a few days. They cannot take observations, but they know where they are by the stars. Henson said that he would go to the south pole tomorrow if he had a chance, as he was interested in exploring and it would be hard to discern, true.

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### TAFT EXONERATES SECY. BALLINGER

Albany, N. Y., Sept. 15.—President Taft has exonerated Secy. of the Interior Ballinger in the matter of the charges filed by L. R. Glavis, chief of the field division of the conservation office, in connection with the Cunningham coal land claims in Alaska.

In a statement given out today, the president declares Mr. Glavis' case embraced only "shreds of suspicion without circumstantial evidence." Mr. Taft also grants Secy. Ballinger's request for authority to dismiss Mr. Glavis from the service of the conservation office, on the ground that he is out of sympathy with the policy of the administration in favor of the conservation of natural resources.

The statement, which is in the form of a letter to Secy. Ballinger, was written before President Taft left his summer home at Beverly, Mass.

The president's letter embraced about 2,500 words and all charges that have been made against Secy. Ballinger are discussed and disposed of to the entire credit of that official. This letter concludes: "In my judgment he is the best friend of the policy of conservation who insists that every step taken in that direction should be within the law and buttressed by legal authority. Insistence on this is not inconsistent with a whole-hearted and bona fide interest and enthusiasm in favor of conservation. From my conferences with you and from everything I know in respect to the conduct of your department, I am able to say that you are fully in sympathy with the administration's attitude in favor of the conservation of natural resources."

### ELIOT PRESIDENT OF CONSERVATION ASSOCIATION

Chicago, Sept. 15.—Walter L. Fisher of Chicago president of the Conservation League of America, today announced the completion of the National Conservation Association, which President Charles W. Eliot of Harvard as president.

The announcement is made in a letter from Mr. Fisher to President Taft, who is an honorary vice president of the conservation league. The latter organization, Mr. Fisher states in his letter to President Taft, will remain available for such work in the future as its members may desire to undertake.

### ATTENDED MEETINGS FOR 5,000 CONSECUTIVE NIGHTS

Chicago, Sept. 15.—With the arrival last night of the third annual anniversary of the Pacific garden mission, Mrs. Sarah C. Clarke attained the record of having attended meetings for 5,000 consecutive nights.

The mission, which was organized by Col. George B. Clarke and his wife, the latter having conducted the institution since his death 10 years ago.

A home for homeless girls, an employment bureau for men, a coal wagon service and prison visiting stations are among the activities of the mission.

## WOMAN MURDERS HER SISTER-IN-LAW

After Shooting Her Ten Times And Plunging Knife Into Her Body, Committed Suicide.

CAUSE OF TRAGEDY UNKNOWN.

All Occurred in Apartments of Murderess in Fashionable Chicago Residence District.

Chicago, Sept. 15.—Mrs. Jacob Silvers, formerly of New York, shot and killed Mrs. Julius Tripp of this city, her sister-in-law, and committed suicide in the apartments of the former in a fashionable residence district here today.

Mrs. Tripp was found with 10 bullet wounds and one knife wound in her body. Mrs. Silvers died at a hospital tonight after confessing the crime. The police were unable to get a full and connected statement from Mrs. Silvers, as she repeatedly became unconscious while being questioned, and died before any details could be obtained.

It is believed the tragedy was caused by a quarrel over the division of household duties.

The appearance almost simultaneously of the two women at different entrances to the apartment, each screaming for help and the knife wounds suffered at first, has led the police to believe that there was a third person in the tragedy instead of its being a battle between the two women or a murder or suicide.

Mrs. Tripp appeared in the hallway in front of her apartments screaming for help. "I am being murdered in here," she shouted to a neighbor.

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coming mentally unbalanced. I wrote Mrs. Silvers to come and make her home with us. "Mrs. Tripp told Mrs. Silvers she would have to do her share of the work about the house, but Mrs. Silvers insisted that she was a guest and did not intend to work. This caused many quarrels, and Monday my wife asked me to tell Mrs. Silvers that she would have to do part of the work. Mrs. Silvers overheard this and said she would get my wife. We paid no attention to this. Mrs. Silvers did not appear for any of her meals Tuesday, but this morning she was at the breakfast table and apparently had forgotten all about her differences. They went visiting together this morning. "Mrs. Tripp had four children, all of whom were at school when the tragedy occurred.

### RUSSIA MASSING TROOPS IN SIBERIA

Victoria, B. C., Sept. 15.—Russia is massing a great army in Siberia, four or five barracks are being built, and extensive fortifications made, and speculation as to a second war with Japan is a common topic of conversation among the Russian military men, said A. B. Denbigh, a Russian, who returned from Siberia and Mongolia by the steamer Kaka Maru today.

"I was told that there were at least 500,000 troops in Siberia," said Mr. Denbigh. "Troops are quartered everywhere. The number of men is from four to five times as great as before the war. At Vladivostok before I left there was a review of 55,000 troops, and not one man was taken from the fortifications."

Mr. Denbigh brought news of a rich gold discovery made by Russians in Mongolia, about 50 or 60 miles distant from Kiskita, the big valley city which has been for centuries one of the stopping places of the tea caravans from China. An average of 20 pounds of gold is being washed from the river banks with rockers daily.

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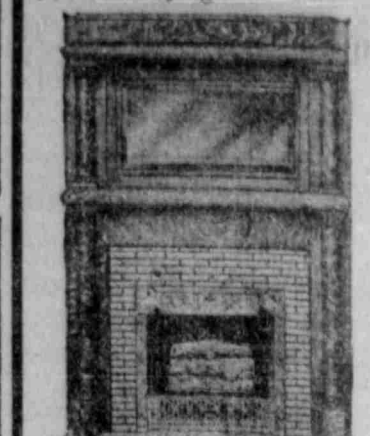
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